Education Guarantee Scheme and Alternative and Innovative Education centres.

(ii) Encourage poor children, belonging to disadvantaged sections, to attend school more regularly and help them to concentrate on classroom acitivities.

(iii) Provide nutritional support to children of primary stage in drought-affected areas during summer vacation.

To achieve the above objectives, a cooked mid-day meal with nutritional content of 450 calories and 12 gram protein is being provided to all children studying in classes I - V.

(d) and (e) Based on District Information System for Education (DISE, 2005-06) data, the pupil-teacher ratio and pupil-classroom ratio in Jharkhand during the last three years are as follows:—

Pupil-Teacher ratio

| 2003-04 | 2004-05 | 2005-06 |
|---|---|---|
| 57 | 54 | 48 |

Pupil-classroom ratio

| 2003-04 | 2004-05 | 2005-06 |
|---|---|---|
| 55 | 59 | - 62 |

**Approval of distance courses**

4171. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Distance Education Council/IGNOU has approved all the distance courses run by the Vinayaka Mission Research Foundation deemed university Salem, Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the present status of approval of distance education courses run by the other deemed universities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A list of the programmes approved by the Distance Education Council in respect of deemed universities is at Statement.

***Statement***

*List of programmes approved by DEC in respect of deemed universities*

| SI. No | Name of the Deemed University | Programmes Approved |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai | Diploma in Business Management<br>Diploma in Marketing Management<br>Diploma in Finance Management<br>Diploma in Human Resource Management<br>Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management<br>Post Graduate Diploma in Marketing Management<br>Post Graduate Diploma in Finance Management<br>Post Graduate Diploma in Human Resource Management<br>Advanced Diploma in Supply Chain Management<br>Advanced Diploma in International Trade Management<br>Advanced Diploma in Banking & Management |
| 2 | Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages. Hyderabad | Post Graduate Certificate in Teaching English<br>Post Graduate Diploma in Teaching English |
| 3 | Vinayaka Mission's University | Programmes Approved by the respective Academic Bodies/Authorities of the University |